

## **Private Boaters: How to find and reserve Available Launches, including Cancellations:**

Throughout the year, cancellations will be made available at a random time within 24 hours of submission on the [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov) website.

All successful lottery applicants MUST confirm their launch dates by March 15<sup>th</sup>. Any unconfirmed reservations will be released at an undisclosed time beginning March 16<sup>th</sup>. Any Declined, Unfilled, or Revoked lottery dates will be released beginning February 5<sup>th</sup> for the Snake, Salmon and Middle Fork of the Salmon Rivers. Any available Selway dates will not be released until March 16<sup>th</sup>.

To see if there are any available launches, go to [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov) website. Sign in if already registered or sign up if new to the site. The email address becomes the User Name and can only be used by one person; each person must have their own email address to register at Recreation.gov.

Click on **Home**. Enter the name of the river you are searching for in the *Where* box. You can also select Permits & Wilderness in the *Interested In* box to narrow it down.

Click the **“Check Availability”** button for the river you are interested in.

Click on the **Enter Date** box. Now enter the Launch Date you want in the **Entry Date** box. Click **Find Permits** button.

A screen will come up with the launch dates listed and a balloon underneath showing the status. A legend at the bottom of the screen explains what the letters mean.

If the date you want to reserve is available (balloon shows an A), then **click on that balloon** and then click **“Book Permit”**.

You are now at the Permit Details Page. You will need to enter a **planned exit date** and at least one person to finish your reservation. On the Middle Fork and main Salmon rivers, you must pay for at least one person to reserve and confirm your reservation. You can change these details at any time prior to your launch date.

The other information is optional at the time you make the reservation. **Remember to go back into your reservation prior to your launch date and make any needed changes to your trip details. Update the names of all trip participants, verify or update the number of people, days, and watercraft, and your launch and take-out points and the permit issue station. (If you cannot go, don’t forget to Cancel.)**

**Read** the Alerts and Important Information. Then **click the box** next to “Yes, I have read and I understand this important information.”

Click on **“Continue to Shopping Cart”**

At this point, if you wish to make another reservation, click on the “Make Another Reservation” link in the top corner of your screen and repeat the process.

Review your shopping cart to make sure you have the correct Entry (launch) date on the correct river reserved. You will see the amount that you are expected to pay based on the number of people and number of days that you entered while making your reservation. You can change this information by clicking on “Change Details”.

Please note that the \$6.00 Reservation fee is not refundable if you cancel this reservation. The recreation fees will be refunded in full if you cancel your reservation.

Once you’re ready, click on “**Checkout Shopping Cart**”.

Enter your credit or debit card information.

**Read** the information then **click on the box** next to “**Yes**, I have read and accept the above acknowledgement.”

Click on “**Complete this Purchase**”. You will receive a confirmation email for this reservation, and a new one each time you update the information.

You can also contact the reservation call center at 1-877-444-6777 to reserve pre/post season launch dates and cancellations.

If you have any difficulties, the Customer Service number is 1-888-448-1474.

To find more information about each river’s rules, regulations, trip information, etc., use the links at the bottom of the Four Rivers website at: [http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/scnf/passes-permits/recreation/?cid=fsbdev3\\_029568](http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/scnf/passes-permits/recreation/?cid=fsbdev3_029568).